

August 3, 2020

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, August 3, 2020, in the Arthur Community Building. Village President Rod Randall called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Matt Bernius, Christy Miller, , and Jenni Marner. Trustees Justin Ray, Dave Tiffan, and Mike Hilgenberg were absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Randall asked guest Jace Green to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

- Jace and Justin Green were present.

Consent Agenda

- C. Miller made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda including the July 20, 2020 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes, the July 20, 2020 Board of Trustees Executive Session Minutes, the July 24, 2020 Water & Sewer Committee Meeting Minutes, and the July 30, 2020 Board of Trustees Special Meeting Minutes. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Approval of Expenditures

- M. Bernius made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$64,076.46. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Village President Comments and Announcements

- President Randall stated that he had a nice ride along in the police department with Officer Soria. It's definitely something that's worth spending the time to do.

Trustees' Reports

- M. Bernius stated that he hasn't had the chance to do a ride along yet but looks forward to the opportunity to do so. He wanted to thank the Arthur Park District. So many communities closed their pools, and he wanted to commend our Park District for stepping up and giving the kids something to do. Arthur should be proud that they have giving these kids a sense of normalcy while still obeying the rules. It would have been just as easy for them to not open, but he's so glad they did.
- J. Marner had no report.
- C. Miller touched on the event that the AAAOC is hosting in place of the Cheese Festival called a Kickstart to Fall in Arthur. Stephanie Wierman forgot to get on the agenda for tonight, but there will be some road closure requests coming down the pipeline. The event will be downtown with stores offering specials both Friday night and Saturday, as well as there being food vendors on Saturday. There will also be a flea market on AJ's open lot, as well as in the grassy area around the Froggy Nook from Friday through Monday. She also noted that we're pleased to hear that Dr. Ellington will be opening a facility with Christie Clinic in the same location as the previous DMH Clinic.

Chief of Police Report

- No report.

Public Works Supervisor's Report

- Grant Corum provided reports from the Public Works department.

Treasurer's Report

- Erica Carter provided the Treasurer's Report. Erica went over income highlights and expense notations.

Village Attorney's Report

- Kenny Crossman reported on the Zoning Board Meeting in regard to Agenda item #4. This is the second variance that they are requesting. The first one was approved for being over the lot % coverage. They are requesting to build within the setback area

on the alleyway at the back of their property. They would be over the setback by about a foot. They would be in line with other residents along the alleyway. Snow removal was a concern, as well as the expectation that decisions are made based on past decisions on other properties. The Zoning board approved the recommendation to allow the variance with a vote 4-1. Also, John Mammoser resigned his position on the Zoning Board because he is leaving town. His position will need filled.

Unfinished Business

none

New Business

1. Jace Green, from Troop 74, is a Life Scout and is 1 step away from Eagle. He is working on his Eagle Scout project and would like to do a flag retirement box. Currently, there is no good system for flags that need to be retired and he would like to put a drop box of some kind to allow individuals the ability to dispose of flags properly. Location is to be determined, as well as other details. Currently, he is looking for approval to move forward with the project. Rod Randall will be his point of contact for the project. M. Bernius made a motion to allow Jace Green to move forward with his Eagle Scout Project, C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
2. An offer was presented for Lot 21 in Meadowview Subdivision for \$26,500. This meets the 80% requirement of appraised value of \$29,236. M. Bernius made a motion to accept the bid of \$26,500 for Lot 21 in Meadowview Subdivision, pursuant to Resolution 2018-1, seconded by J. Marner. All Trustees voted YEA.
3. Deputy Clerk Erica Carter presented information in regard to a module for our Jayhawk software. The module will allow the program to integrate with our credit card system. Each month, the number of individuals using credit cards rising, creating more work for our water billing clerk. With this module, her job will be easier, as well as providing perks for our residents. J. Marner made a motion to allow the purchase of the Jayhawk module for credit cards, seconded by C. Miller. All Trustees voted YEA.
4. We have a resident that would like to build a garage in the rear of their house, however it requires a variance due to being closer to the lot line than Village set backs allow. The Zoning Board approved a recommendation to allow the resident the variance. M. Bernius made a motion to approve the variance for residents of 412 South Walnut Street, allowing them to build within the side and rear setback areas, seconded by J. Marner. All Trustees voted YEA.
5. Public Works Supervisor Grant Corum presented information for installation of an HVAC system at the new WWTP building. This will include the lab and office areas. J. Marner made a motion to award the bid for HVAC system installation at the new WWTP building to Oye's Hardware in the amount of \$24,756.00, seconded by C. Miller. All Trustees voted YEA.
6. Public Works Supervisor Grant Corum presented information in reference to the concrete floor at the new WWTP. M. Bernius made a motion to award the bid for 60' X36' concrete floor at the new WWTP building to Herschberger Concrete in the amount of \$7,250, seconded by C. Miller. All Trustees voted YEA.
7. There has been increasing interest in the potential of having vendors downtown. The Gazebo parking lot is the ideal space, if we're willing to allow outside vendors to come to town and sell. C. Miller made a motion amend Resolution 2020-9 to allow outside vendors to temporarily conduct business on public property, seconded by J. Marner. All Trustees voted YEA.
8. President Randall led a discussion on items regarding COVID-19 issues within the Village of Arthur, its residents, businesses, employees, and Village services and staff. One concern was the crossing guards and their availability with the adjusted schedule. Rod will speak with Chief Goodman about the crossing guards.

General Discussion

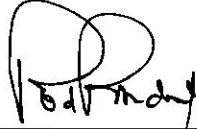
There is interest in the final lot in Meadowview Subdivision to possibly be split by neighboring residents. A new house will not be built on the property. The Village would likely need to have it reappraised. Rod will speak to the interested party and K. Crossman will look into the requirements needed to sell the property at a lower value.

President Randall stated that we received one liquor license for the available class C license. Rod reached out to previously interested parties and there was no further interest. President Randall will be approving the Class C Liquor Application for Wortman Holdings.

Adjourn

M. Bernius made a motion to adjourn. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. President Randall adjourned the meeting at 7:53 pm.

APPROVED



Village President

ATTEST



Village Clerk

DATE

8/17/20